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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GREENFIELD, I. Lawrence) Group Art Unit: 1637
Application No.: 09/724,613) Examiner: J. Riley
Filed: November 28, 2000) Confirmation No. 7659
For: COMPOSITIONS, METHODS, AND)
KITS FOR ISOLATING NUCLEIC)
ACIDS USING SURFACTANTS)
AND PROTEASES)

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicant now responds to the Office Action mailed November 8, 2004.

Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper at pages 2-18.

Remarks follow the amendments section of this paper at page 19.